

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please change paragraph 16 (as published, or 4:21-5:3) as follows:

wherein  $R_1$  is optionally substituted with one or more substituents  $R_a$ , wherein  $R_a$  may be independently selected from the group consisting of alkyl, halo, haloalkyl, nitro, alkenyl, alkynyl, alkoxy,  $-(R_7)_nNR_8R_9$  (wherein  $R_7$  is selected from ~~alkyl~~ alkylene, ~~alkoxy~~ alkylene oxide, and ~~oxyalkyl~~ oxyalkylene,  $R_8$  and  $R_9$  can be independently selected from H, and alkyl, or  $R_8$  and  $R_9$  can join such that  $NR_8R_9$  form a 5 or 6 member heterocyclic ring, and  $n$  is selected from 0, and 1), and the substituent  $R_a$  is optionally further substituted with one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of alkyl, alkoxy, halo, cyano, alkanoyl, haloalkyl, thioalkyl, nitro, and  $-(R_7)_nNR_8R_9$  wherein  $R_7$ ,  $R_8$ , and  $R_9$ , and  $n$  are as defined above—;

Please change paragraph 23 (as published, or 5:19-27) as follows:

wherein the substituents  $R_b$  are independently selected from the group consisting of alkyl, alkoxy, alkanoyl, nitro, halo, haloalkoxy,  $-(R_7)_nNR_8R_9-S(O)_2NR_{10}R_{11}$ , and  $-O-(CH_2)_mNR_{10}R_{11}$  (wherein  $R_7$  is selected from alkyl, alkoxy, and oxyalkyl,  $R_8$  and  $R_9$  can be independently selected from H, and alkyl, or  $R_8$  and  $R_9$  can join together such that  $NR_8R_9$  form a 5 or 6 member heterocyclic ring, and  $n$  is selected from 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 and  $R_{10}$  and  $R_{11}$  can be independently selected from H, or alkyl, or  $R_{10}$  and  $R_{11}$  can join together such that  $NR_{10}R_{11}$  form a 5 or 6 member heterocyclic ring and  $m$  is selected from 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 ) and;

Please change paragraph 24 (as published, or 5:28-6:5) as follows:

the substituent  $R_b$  is optionally further substituted with one or more substituents selected from the group consisting of alkyl, alkoxy, halo, cyano, alkanoyl, haloalkyl, thioalkyl, nitro,  $-(R_7)_nNR_8R_9$  (wherein  $R_7$ ,  $R_8$ ,  $R_9$  and  $n$  are as described above), with the proviso that  $Ar_1$  does not have a substituent at the 2-position selected from the following groups, nitro, ~~haloalkyl, cyano,  $C(O)R_{12}$ ,  $C(O)OR_{12}$ ,  $C(O)NR_{12}R_{13}$ ,  $S(O)R_{12}$ ,  $S(O)_2R_{12}$ , and  $S(O)_2NR_{12}R_{13}$~~  (wherein  $R_{12}$  and  $R_{13}$  are independently selected from H and alkyl),